

AMENDMENT(S) TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 5, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The invention relates to a hydrodynamic brake ~~according to the preamble of claim 1~~ and particularly to structures housing components of the brake.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 24, with the following rewritten paragraph:

This object is achieved with the hydrodynamic brake of the kind mentioned in the introduction ~~which is characterised by the features indicated in the characterising part of claim 1~~ invention which relates to a hydrodynamic brake which comprises a stator, a rotor, and a toroidal space defined by the stator and the rotor. A medium is intended to be supplied to the toroidal space when the brake is activated. A multiplicity of components allow regulation of the flow of the medium to and from the toroidal space. The hydrodynamic brake incorporates a structure with a multiplicity of recesses each having an opening in a side thereof, e.g. in a substantially common plane and each recess is intended to accommodate one of the components. The fact that the hydrodynamic brake comprises a structure with a multiplicity of recesses which have openings arranged in a substantially common plane renders these components very easily accessible. Dismantling the hydraulic brake for access to such a plane which incorporates recesses for the various components can be made very simple and involve only a small number of working operations. It becomes easy to remove the components from the recesses and check them and, where necessary, substitute new ones. The fitting and servicing of the components arranged in such recesses can thus be done quickly and easily.